

8 Support USGS efforts regarding surface water/groundwater monitoring and modeling in the Walker River Watershed

The Tribe has a long history of working with the USGS regarding mine derived contamination in the Walker River Watershed. Some of this work is described in "Trace Element and Radionuclide Concentrations in Walker River Bottom Sediment and Weber Reservoir Sediment Core, West-Central Nevada, 2005" by Carl Thodal and Micheal Lico (Journal of the Nevada Water Resources Association, Fall, 2006). Results of that study were consistent with the presence of mine waste from the Anaconda Mine in Weber Reservoir on Tribal trust property.


Since recent conclusions of ARC in the Field Sampling and Analysis Plan Data Summary Report and Conceptual Site Model Update from January 3, 2017, are contrary to the USGS publication and EPA comments on the document from March 31, 2017, the Tribe believes additional support is needed for the USGS Tribal partnership using funds from ARC to provide critical data.

9 Responsibility to meet expenses for NEPA and other regulatory compliance on restoration projects on and near OU7

The Tribe has successfully completed/participated in a number of ecological restoration programs in the Walker River Watershed. These programs are key to restoration that would include OU7, which would be NEPA exempt under CERCLA. The additional expense of permitting outside of CERCLA will need to be estimated and the liability assumed by ARC.

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Resolution of the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council composed of seven members, of whom 5 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting on the 21st day of June, 2017, and that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote 4 -FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 -ABSTENTIONS, pursuant to the Constitution of the Walker River Paiute Tribe of Nevada, approved on March 26, 1937.


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Walker River Paiute Tribe